

\*Abstract The structure and dynamics of contact networks strongly influence the spread of infectious diseases. We investigate the impact of temporal ordering on epidemic outcomes. Introduction Epidemic processes unfold over dynamic networks of contacts between individuals. Traditional models often assume static networks. Methodology Epidemic and Network Model We consider a population of  $N = 1000$  individuals, each represented as a node in a network. The disease dynamics follow the SIR compartmental model: individuals are either Susceptible (S), Infected (I), or Recovered (R). Simulation of the static network utilizes the fastGEMF/Markov approach, while spreading on the temporal network is simulated using the GEMF approach. Results Simulation outcomes reveal striking differences between the two scenarios. On the aggregated static network, the infection rate is higher and the final epidemic size is larger.

Metric	Static Network
Peak Infected	325
Peak Time	16
Final Epidemic Size	952
Epidemic End Time	69

Table summarizes epidemic metrics for both cases. [h!] Epidemic Metrics Comparison [http] [width=0.7]comparison-infected.png Infected count over time for the infected compartment. [http] [width=0.7]comparison-SIR.png S, I, R compartment counts for static vs. temporal network.

Discussion These results underline the critical impact of temporal ordering and network dynamics on epidemic outcomes.

Conclusion Our investigation demonstrates that the temporal structure of contact networks, as embodied in the activity-based model, significantly influences the course of an epidemic.

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